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Redford ticket amnesty offers \$50 break

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Forgot about that speeding ticket you got in Redford Township last year?

Come April, you can make good on it at 17th District Court at a \$50 discount.

The township Board of Trustees on Tuesday unanimously approved a two-month amnesty program for drivers for whom warrants have been issued for outstanding traffic violations. District court administrator Judy Timpner told the board the court has more than 5,200 such cases.

Beginning Tuesday, April 1, such violators can appear at the court during business hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. weekdays) to pay any delinquent traffic citations and associated fines, such as late fees. As an incentive, the standard \$50 warrant fee will be waived.

Included are all parking, traffic and misdemeanor traffic citations issued within Redford by the Redford police, the Michigan State Police or the Wayne County Sheriff's Department. The amnesty period ends Friday, May 30.

Despite the amnesty, drivers with Redford traffic warrants could still face arrest during the period if they're stopped by police.

About 500 people took advantage of a similar amnesty program four years ago, Timpner said. That was about a quarter of the more than 2,000 outstanding cases at the time.

That amnesty brought in almost \$132,000 in fines, she said.